PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner: S. MCCLENDON

In re application of

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PHOTOCURED CROSSLINKED-HYALURONIC ACID GEL AND METHOD OF

PREPARATION THEREOF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

In response to the Office Action dated June 9, 1999, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1-1. (Amended) [A] An injectable photocured crosslinked-hyaluronic acid [gel,

which has] hydrogel having a network structure containing an aqueous medium, said gel having a storage modulus (G') of from 50 to 1500 Pa, a loss modulus (G") of from 10 to 300 Pa, and a tangent delta (G"/G') of from 0.1 to 0.8 in dynamic viscoelasticity measured by a

rheometer under the following conditions,

method of measurement:

oscillation test method, stress control

measuring temperature: 37°C